ANNUAL REPORTS

of the Town of

Litchfield, N. H.

for the year ending

December 31, 1949

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of the

Officers and Committees

of the Town of

Litchfield, N. H.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
CHARLES B. CAMPBELL

Town Clerk
BARBARA CAMPBELL

Treasurer
STERLING COLBY

Selectmen
CYRUS E. WILSON
ARTHUR H. MORRILL
SYLVESTER A. REID

Highway Agent
ARNOLD C. CAMPBELL

Auditors
WALTER E. BROWN
FREDERICK C. GOFFE

Supervisors
DORIS GRIFFIN
CLARA E. AIKEN
ELIZABETH C. MORRILL

Ballot Clerks
FRED McQUESTEN
JOHN A. REID
RALPH AIKEN
ERDINE MacDOUGALL

Tax Collector
JOHN A. REID

Chief of Police
DAVID A. CAMPBELL

Constable
JOHN A. REID

Overseer of the Poor
SYLVESTER A. REID

Police Officers
CHARLES B. CAMPBELL
SYLVESTER A. REID
FRED McQUESTEN
JOHN JANOSZ

Forest Fire Warden
FRED McQUESTEN

Deputy Fire Wardens
SYLVESTER A. REID
DAVID A. CAMPBELL
ROY H. CAMPBELL
JOHN A. REID

Fire Department
ROBERT JERRY, Chief
FRED McQUESTEN, Dep.
SYLVESTER A. REID, Dep.

Health Officer
WALTER E. BROWN

Library Trustees
JOHN A. REID
LILLA G. COPP
DAVID A. CAMPBELL
CORA B. COLBY
HELEN M. PARKER
REBECCA G. BLODGETT

Librarian
FLORENCE C. CENTER

Moderator School District
CHARLES B. CAMPBELL

Treasurer School District
ELIZABETH C. MORRILL

School Board
LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD
LEWIS C. GOFFE
BERTHA G. CROWELL

Auditors School District
EDWIN B. HILL
HELEN M. PARKER

Trustees of Town Trust Funds
JOHN A. REID
DAVID A. CAMPBELL
STERLING COLBY

Fence Viewers
CHARLES B. CAMPBELL
JOHN A. REID
IRA D. FORD

Surveyors Wood and Lumber
CHARLES B. CAMPBELL
JOHN A. REID
IRA D. FORD

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Litchfield in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Litchfield on Tuesday, the 14th day of March, next at one of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise or appropriate for the Public Library.

4. To see what action the Town will take in regard to Memorial Day and make appropriation for same.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding $51.00 1/100 of one percent of the Town's Valuation based on the 1949 assessment for the Merrimack Valley Region Association.

6. To see if the Town will vote to use The Australian Ballot method of voting to elect Town Officers in our next Town Meeting and all Town Meetings thereafter.

7. To see if the Town will vote to accept Town Road Aid for permanent improvements of highways. The Town must raise $169.58—State will contribute $678.30.

8. To see if the Town will vote to use T. R. A. money to build and hard surface Corning Road.

9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from The Highway Fund enough money to oil the Town Roads.

10. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, as a public highway, the road from south Litchfield-Hudson line to the John B. Marshall place, except such portions taken up by the State Highway now under construction.

11. To see what action the Town will take in regard to purchasing new fire equipment and paying for the same by appropriation or a series of notes or both.

12. To see what action the Town will take in regard to selling some of the old fire equipment.

13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for support and maintenance of the Fire Department.

14. To see if the Town will take any action regarding the purchase of land adjoining Pine Crest Cemetery formerly owned by the late Selah Bixby.

15. To see if the Town will take any action regarding the encroachment of the Merrimack River on the bank at the center of the town and make provision for any vote taken relating thereto.

16. To see if the Town will vote to continue the Town Survey and make provision for the same.

17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes for the year 1950.

18. To see if the Town will vote to accept the zoning and ordinance regulations as submitted by committee.

19. To see if the Town will raise a sum of money for the purpose of clearing wood roads for better access to Forest Fires.

20. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty.

CYRUS E. WILSON
ARTHUR H. MORRILL
SYLVESTER A. REID
Selectmen of Litchfield.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

CYRUS E. WILSON
ARTHUR H. MORRILL
SYLVESTER A. REID
Selectmen of Litchfield.

BUDGET

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR 1950

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 624.00
Town Officers' Expenses	800.00
Election and Registration Expense	135.00
Town Hall	25.00
Police Department	150.00
Fire Department (including Forest Fires)	500.00
Ambulance Service	25.00
Town Maintenance (Summer)	300.00
Town Maintenance (Winter)	800.00
General Expense of Highway Department	75.00
Town Road Aid	170.00
Town Survey Map	200.00
Library	37.50
County Poor	25.00
Town Poor	25.00
Old Age Assistance	300.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Cemeteries	20.00
Merrimack Valley Regional Association	50.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	50.00
County Taxes	2,200.00
School Taxes	9,600.00
Town Dumps	100.00
Total	$16,261.50

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

SUMMARY INVENTORY

Lands and Buildings		$380,377.00
Growing Wood and Timber		13,279.00
Electric Plants		97,726.00
Horses—5		475.00
Cows—72		8,395.00
Neat Stock—72		625.00
Hogs—-16		370.00
Fowls—-2895		3,512.00
Portable Mills—2		400.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks—2		300.00
Moores Falls Corporation		20,000.00
		$525,459.00
Less Soldiers Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind		12,400.00
		$513,059.00
Revenue From:		
Savings Bank Tax	$ 59.88	
Interest & Dividend Tax	134.16	
National Bank Tax	63.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	1,203.84	
		$ 1,460.88
Total Amount of Taxes		$ 14,542.33
Total Amount of Property Tax		14,109.33
Poll Taxes, 185 @ $2.00		370.00
Tax Rate $2.75 per $100.00 valuation		

COMPARATIVE LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Actual Expenditures 1949	Estimated Expenditures 1950
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 624.00	$ 624.00
Town Officers' Expenses	847.24	800.00
Election and Registration	65.75	135.00
Expenses Town Hall	32.43	25.00
Police Department	330.79	150.00
Fire Department	217.73	500.00
Town Highway Maintenance (Winter)	838.58	800.00
Town Highway Maintenance (Summer)	144.25	300.00
General Expense of Highway Department	100.84	75.00
Town Road Aid	1,340.33	170.00
Town Dumps	128.50	100.00
Town Survey Map	200.00	200.00
Forest Fires	476.06	
Libraries	37.50	37.50
Town and County Poor	40.00	50.00
Memorial Day	236.00	50.00
Damage by Dogs	18.60	
Cemeteries	15.00	20.00
Merrimack Valley Regional Association	51.00	50.00
Ambulance Service	24.00	25.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	53.75	50.00
School Taxes	12,362.16	9,600.00
County Taxes	2,153.88	2,200.00
Old Age Assistance	145.25	300.00
Totals	$20,483.64	$16,261.50

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on hand December 31, 1949	$1,445.98	
Uncollected Taxes, 1949	2,245.68	
		$3,691.66

Liabilities

Bills outstanding	$ 24.00	
Due School District—1949 Appropriations	2,688.52	
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	979.14	
		$3,691.66

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall and Lot	$5,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	175.00
Library Building and Lot	22,200.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Fire Department Equipment	1,000.00
School Building and Lot	17,000.00
School Equipment	1,500.00
Highway Equipment	1,000.00
	$48,375.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

250	Motor Vehicle Permits	$1,203.84
44	Dog Licenses	97.00
		$1,300.84
	Paid Treasurer	$1,300.84

BARBARA CAMPBELL
Town Clerk.

Audited and Approved January 19, 1950

WALTER E. BROWN
FREDERICK C. GOFFE

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Selectmen's Warrant		$14,542.33
Paid Sterling Colby, Treasurer	$12,296.65	
Uncollected December 31, 1949	2,245.68	
		$14,542.33

1946	Taxes	$ 5.00	
1947	Taxes	15.86	
1947	Interest	.90	
1948	Taxes	1,673.68	
1948	Interest	25.81	
1949	Taxes	12,296.65	
1949	Redemption	62.46	
	Total Paid to Treasurer		$14,080.36

JOHN A. REID,

Tax Collector.

Audited and Approved, January 21, 1950.

WALTER E. BROWN

FREDERICK C. GOFFE.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand, December 31, 1948	$4,879.08
Received from:	
John A. Reid, Collector	
1946 Poll Tax	5.00
1947 Property Tax	13.86
1947 Poll Taxe	2.00
1947 Interest	.90
1948 Property Tax	1,465.68
1948 Poll Tax	208.00
1948 Interest	25.81
1949 Property Tax	12,025.65
1949 Poll Tax	208.00
National Bank Tax	63.00
Redemptions	62.46
State Treasurer:	
Firemen's Training Session	18.00
Savings Bank Tax	59.88
Interest and Dividends Tax	134.16
State Forest Tax Refund	9.07
State Forestry Department, Forest Fires	231.61
Barbara Campbell, Town Clerk:	
Motor Vehicle Permits	1,203.84
Dog Licenses	97.00
Town Trustees:	
Loans	5,500.00
Appropriated from Highway Fund	1,340.33
Total	$27,553.33

Payments

Paid Selectmen's Orders	26,107.35
Balance on hand, December 31, 1949	$ 1,445.98

Respectfully submitted,

STERLING COLBY

Treasurer.

Audited and approved January 19, 1950

WALTER E. BROWN

FREDERICK C. GOFFE

Auditors.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Property and Poll Tax committed to Collector for 1949		$14,479.33
Property Tax 1946	$ 5.00	
Property Tax 1947	15.86	
Interest 1947	.90	
Property Tax 1948	1,465.68	
Poll Tax 1948	208.00	
Interest 1948	25.81	
Property Tax 1949	12,025.65	
Poll Tax 1949	208.00	
National Bank Tax	63.00	
Taxes Redeemed	62.46	
From State Treasurer:		
Forest Fire Training Session	18.00	
State's Part Forest Fire Bills	231.61	
Savings Bank Tax	59.88	
Interest and Dividends Tax	134.16	
State Forestland Tax Refund	9.07	
From Town Clerk:		
Motor Vehicle Permits	1,203.84	
Dog Licenses	97.00	
Other Sources:		
Trustees Town Trust Funds T. R. A.	1,340.33	
Trustees Town Trust Funds Temporary Loan	5,500.00	
Cash on hand, January 1st, 1949	4,879.08	
	Total	$27,553.33

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Town Clerk, Barbara Campbell	$ 50.00
Town Treasurer, Sterling Colby	50.00
Selectman, Cyrus E. Wilson	150.00
Selectman, Arthur H. Morrill	100.00
Selectman, Sylvester A. Reid	100.00
Tax Collector, John A. Reid	100.00
Chief of Police, David A. Campbell	50.00
Auditor, Leon C. Calawa	12.00
Auditor, Walter Brown	12.00
	$624.00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Eloise Barlow, Typing	$ 9.00
McQuesten's, Town Reports	270.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc., Supplies	25.35
Fred McQuesten, Forest Fire Warden	36.00
Harold & Maude French, Employee's Insurance	100.20
Wilfred J. Boisclair, Register	.40
Donat Corriveau, Register	9.49
William G. Berry Co., Officers' Bonds	102.50
McQuesten's, Clerk's Supplies	24.35
Harold & Maude French, Insurance	12.60
N. H. Assessor's Association, Dues	2.00
Town Clerk's Association Dues	2.00
Tax Collector's Association Dues	2.00
Town Clerk, Dog License Fees	8.80
Town Clerk, Motor Vehicle Permits	125.00
Sylvester A. Reid, Overseer	20.80
Cyrus E. Wilson, Selectman's Expense	21.75
John A. Reid, Tax Collector's Expense	75.00
	$847.24

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Granite State Press, Check Lists	$25.75
Fred McQuesten, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Doris Griffin, Supervisor	9.00
Clara E. Aiken, Supervisor	9.00
Elizabeth C. Morrill, Ballot Clerk	9.00
Ralph Aiken, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Erdine MacDougall, Ballot Clerk	3.00
Charles B. Campbell, Moderator	4.00
	$65.75

TOWN HALL EXPENSE

Public Service Co., Lights	$11.01
C. W. Haight, Janitor	8.00
Osgood's, Glass	2.42
Walter Bishop, Mowing Grass	1.00
John A. Reid, Wood	10.00
	$32.43

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Robert Jerry, K. D. Light	$ 6.55
Firestone Stores, Light	4.98
Fred McQuesten, Police Work	27.00
John Janosz, Mileage and Police Work	24.50
Sylvester A. Reid, Police Work	18.58
David A. Campbell, Chief, Mileage, Time and Expense	232.18
Robert's Service Station, Car Window	10.00
John A. Reid, Expense	7.00
	$330.79

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Parker Bailey, Repairs to Truck	$28.05
Glidden Auto Service	7.00
Johnson's Electric Supply, Lantern bulbs	.74
Robert's Service Station—Tire Repairs	2.00
Harold & Maude French, Equipment Insurance	39.00
Chief Robert Jerry, Training School, Concord	17.00
Jerry's Filling Station, Gas & Oil	1.88
Robert Jerry, Rent & Repairs	29.47
David Campbell, Gas & oil	5.15
Robert Jerry, Welding & Repair	12.75
American LaFrance Corp., Supplies	11.19
Fred McQuesten	2.50

FIREMEN'S SALARIES

Robert Jerry, Chief	3.00
Fred McQuesten, Dep. Chief	3.00
Charles Parker	3.00
Ovila Jackson	3.00
Charles B. Campbell	3.00
William Locke	3.00
Wilfred Bilodeau	3.00
Donald MacDougall	3.00
John Janosz	3.00
Sterling Colby	3.00
Walter Brown, Clerk	10.00
Ralph Aiken	3.00
John A. Reid	3.00
Francis Smith	3.00
Frederick Goffe	3.00
Sylvester A. Reid, Dep. Chief	3.00
J. Wesley French	3.00
David A. Campbell	3.00
	$217.73

SNOW REMOVAL

Arnold Campbell, Truck	$321.40
Sylvester A. Reid, Helper	18.50
Leonard Haskins, Helper	2.25
Norman Ricard, Helper	10.25
David A. Campbell, Helper	31.88
George Adams, Plowing Water Holes	6.00
Griffin & Gage, Plowing Water Holes	13.00
Merrimack Farmers Exchange, Salt	411.00
Fred McQuesten, Truck, Salting	12.30
William Locke, Salting	3.00
Wilfred C. Bilodeau, Salting	3.00
Donald MacDougall, Salting	4.50
George Adams, Salting	1.50
	$838.58

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Roy P. Avery, Mowing Brush	$ 54.00
Arnold Campbell, Patching	21.00
Sylvester A. Reid, Labor	5.25
Hirsch Bros., Grader	64.00
	$144.25

TOWN ROAD AID—PAIGE ROAD

State Treas. Appropriation	$169.32
Hume Pipe Co., Culvert	23.92
Joseph R. Roark, Gravel	100.00
State Treas., Overdraft	949.09
Treas. Town of Hudson, Grader	68.00
Arnold Campbell, Agent	30.00
Appropriated from Bancroft Highway Fund	$1,340.33

TOWN PROPERTY MAP

Charles B. Campbell	$200.00

FOREST FIRES

Town of Hudson	$233.25
City of Nashua	51.30
Fred McQuesten, Warden	90.81
Fred McQuesten, Warden	100.70
	$476.06

GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Arnold Campbell, Bolts	$ .35
Municipal Steel Corporation, Snow Plow Blades	94.59
E. E. Nadeau & Sons, Welding	5.90
	$100.84

LIBRARY

John A. Reid, Treas.	$37.50

TOWN POOR

20th Century Stores, Groceries	$40.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Bronzecraft Corporation, Honor Roll Tablet	$208.00
Philip Morris Co., Flags	8.00
F. W. Cole	10.00
Hudson Post American Legion	10.00
	$236.00

DAMAGE BY DOGS

Barbara Campbell, 2 Turkeys	$18.60

CEMETERIES	
Roy P. Avery, Mowing	$15.00
SCHOOL DISTRICT	
Elizabeth C. Morrill, Treas. Bal. 1948 Budget	$6,251.76
1948 Dog Licenses	110.40
1949 Budget	6,000.00
	$12,362.16
ABATEMENTS REFUNDED	
John A. Reid, Tax Collector	$61.25
TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN	
John A. Reid, Tax Collector	$62.46
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	
State of N. H. Welfare Dept.	$145.25
TEMPORARY LOAN	
Trustees Town Trust Funds	$5,500.00
INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOAN	
Trustees Town Trust Funds	$53.75
MERRIMACK VALLEY REGIONAL ASSOCIATION	
1949 Appropriation	$51.00
TOWN DUMPS	
David A. Campbell	$103.50
William E. Bedders, Bulldozer	25.00
	$128.50
AMBULANCE SERVICE	
Nashua Police Department, 2 Calls	$24.00
COUNTY TAX	
Hillsborough County Treas.	$2,153.88

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS E. WILSON
ARTHUR H. MORRILL
SYLVESTER A. REID
Selectmen of Litchfield.

Audited and approved, January 19, 1950

WALTER E. BROWN
FREDERICK C. GOFFE
Auditors.

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 624.00
Town Officers' Expenses	847.24
Election and Registration	65.75
Town Hall Expenses	32.43
Police Department	330.79
Fire Department	217.73
Snow Removal	838.58
Town Maintenance	144.25
Town Road Aid	1,340.33
General Expense Highway Department	100.84
Town Map	200.00
Forest Fires	476.06
Library	37.50
Town Poor	40.00
Old Age Assistance	145.25
Memorial Day	236.00
Damage by Dogs	18.60
Cemeteries	15.00
School District	12,362.16
Tax Abatements	61.25
Taxes bought by Town	62.46
Temporary Loan	5,500.00
Interest on Temporary Loan	53.75
Merrimack Valley Association	51.00
Town Dumps	128.50
Ambulance Service	24.00
County Tax	2,153.88
	$26,107.35

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Roy Avery, Mowing Brush	$ 54.00
Hirsch Bros., Grader	64.00
Arnold Campbell, Truck	12.00
William Jackson, Labor	4.50
Donald Jackson, Labor	4.50
Sylvester A. Reid, Labor	5.25
	$144.25

SNOW REMOVAL

Arnold Campbell, Truck	$266.64
David Campbell, Helper	43.14
Leonard Haskins, Helper	2.25
Sylvester A. Reid, Helper	20.00
Norman Ricard, Helper	10.25
George Adams, Plowing Water Holes	6.00
Griffin & Gage, Plowing Water Holes	13.00
Elmer Jackson, Snow Fence	4.50
William Jackson, Snow Fence	4.50
Merrimack Farmers Exchange, Salt	411.00
Fred McQuesten, Truck, Salting	30.30
William Locke, Helper, Salting	10.50
Wilfred C. Bilodeau, Helper, Salting	10.50
Donald MacDougall, Helper, Salting	4.50
George Adams, Helper, Salting	1.50
	$838.58

TOWN ROAD AID—PAIGE ROAD

State Treas., Appropriation	$169.32
Hume Pipe Co., Culvert	23.92
Joseph Roark, Gravel	100.00
State Treas., Overdraft	949.09
Town of Hudson, Roller	68.00
Arnold Campbell, Truck	30.00
Paid by Town	$1,340.33
Paid by ~~Town~~ State	677.29
Total Cost	$2,017.62

Respectfully submitted,

ARNOLD C. CAMPBELL,

Highway Agent.

Audited and Approved, January 19, 1950

WALTER E. BROWN

FREDERICK C. GOFFE

Auditors.

ANNUAL REPORT LITCHFIELD POLICE

Number of Accidents investigated	6	
Reckless driving investigated	1	
Stolen cars recovered	1	
Non-registration	1	
Following School Bus	12	
Minor operating vehicle	1	
Violent deaths	1	
Larceny cases	2	
Truant calls	4	
Dogs killing poultry (2 cases settled by owners)	3	
Stray dogs picked up	3	
Lost dogs found	1	
Dogs taken by Humane Society	4	
Dogs disposed of	2	
Dogs—other calls	6	
Juveniles returned to Manchester	4	
Drunks—taken care of	1	
Assisting State Police	4	
Assisting Sheriff's Department	1	
Total calls answered	73	
State Police worked in Litchfield Approx.	350	hrs.
Hudson Police assisted—4 calls	11½	hrs.

Through the efforts of a large search party of townspeople, a little girl lost four hours in swampland was safely returned to her parents. They are very grateful to every one who assisted.

DAVID A. CAMPBELL,
Chief of Police.

ANNUAL REPORT OF LITCHFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

March 1949 through February 1950

There were nine regular monthly meetings of the Fire Department during the year.

The department responded to calls for 4 forest fires and 6 house fires during the year.

Two members of the department attended a one-day fire school and training program sponsored by the Manchester Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief ROBERT G. JERRY

FOREST FIRES — OUR MOST SHAMEFUL WASTE

Everyone apparently fears fire but too many are careless with it. This is particularly true of fires in and near woodlands. Official figures show that more than 98 percent of all forest fires result from human carelessness and can be prevented. Consequently, we may say "Forest Fires are our most shameful waste."

Annual forest fire losses are tremendous and their effects far reaching. Such fires destroy the raw products of the forests, the protection forests provide for game and the supply of ground water. They upset local economies by drawing men from gainful employment and requiring expenditure of public funds to extinguish them.

Our forest fire organization is doing a good job in keeping the size of fires small but the number of fires is increasing. In 1949 there were 100 more fires in New Hampshire than in 1948, but they burned 500 acres less. For the warden and his deputies to do the job they are capable of, they must have the cooperation of the public — YOU!

The primary objective of all fire fighters is PREVENTION—fire stoppage. This is the goal toward which your local forest fire warden and his deputies are constantly working. It can be achieved ONLY if YOU and YOU and YOU cooperate with them. It is worth YOUR effort and can be accomplished by:

1. Being careful with fire in or near woodland, being particularly careful with matches and cigarettes.
2. Securing the required written permit from the warden when the ground is not covered with snow.
3. Insisting that others be careful and comply with burning requirements.
4. Calling the warden promptly when fire is detected and aiding him to extinguish it.

Let's reduce the number of forest fires and eliminate our most shameful waste.

1949 Fire Record
Number of Fires, 4.
Acreage Burned, 22¾.

FRED McQUESTEN,
Forest Fire Warden.
GUY O. HOLLIS,
District Chief.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TOWN TRUST FUNDS

MARY L. MARSH CEMETERY FUND

January 1, 1949, Manchester Savings Bank	$107.09
Interest	2.69
	$109.78
December 31, 1949, Paid care of lot	2.00
January 1, 1950, Manchester Savings Bank	$107.78

ALPHONSE H. POWERS CEMETERY FUND

January 1, 1949, Manchester Savings Bank	$103.06
Interest	2.59
	$105.65
December 31, 1949, Paid care of lot	2.00
January 1, 1950, Manchester Savings Bank	$103.65

JOHN A. CORNING & GEORGIA WATTS CEMETERY FUND

January 1, 1949, Manchester Savings Bank	$100.00
Interest	2.30
January 1, 1950, Manchester Savings Bank	$102.30

CHARLES G. PARKER CEMETERY FUND

January 1, 1949, Manchester Savings Bank	$125.35
Interest	3.14
	$128.49
Paid care of lot	3.00
January 1, 1950, Balance on hand	$125.49

SELAH BIXBY CEMETERY FUND

January 1, 1949. Manchester Savings Bank	$1,500.48
Interest	37.74
	$1,538.22
December 31, 1949, Paid care of lots	5.00
January 1, 1950, Manchester Savings Bank	$1,533.22

SELAH BIXBY LIBRARY FUND

January 1, 1949, Manchester Savings Bank	$ 98.34
Interest	2.47
January 1, 1950, Manchester Savings Bank, Bal. on hand	$100.81

ZOE WHITTEMORE CEMETERY FUND

January 1, 1949, Manchester Savings Bank	$106.15
Interest	2.67
January 1, 1950, Manchester Savings Bank	$108.82

BANCROFT HIGHWAY FUND

January 1, 1949, Manchester Savings Bank		$4,603.92
Interest		87.80
December 31, 1949, Received from Loan to Town		3,500.00
		$8,191.72
Paid out Loan to Town	3,500.00	
Paid to Town for Paige Road	749.92	
		4,249.92
January 1, 1950, Manchester Savings Bank		$3,941.80

AMOSKEAG SAVINGS BANK

January 1, 1949, Cash in Bank	$587.51
Interest	2.90
	590.41
May 5, 1949, Withdrew for Paige Road	590.41
	000.00

JOHN KENNARD LIBRARY FUND

January 1, 1949, Amoskeag Savings Bank	$515.38
Interest	12.95
January 1, 1950, Balance in Bank	$528.33

AARON CUTLER LIBRARY FUND

January 1, 1949, Manchester Savings Bank	$7,755.94
Dividends and Interest	1,024.51
Total Receipts	8,780.45
Total Payments	1,737.55
January 1, 1950, Bal. Manchester Savings Bank	$7,042.90
Government Bonds	4,200.00
	$11,242.90
Estimated Value of Stock	14,000.00
	$25,242.90

JOHN A. REID,
Treas. Town Trustees.

Audited and Approved, January 21, 1950

WALTER E. BROWN
FREDERICK C. GOFFE
Auditors.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

SUPPLEMENTARY CATALOG

December 31, 1948-December 31, 1949.

GENERAL

Abbott, Lives of the Presidents	5483
Alsberg, American Guide	5464
Bagar and Biancalli, Concert Companion	5451
Bard, Doctor Wears Three Faces	5515
Bean, Yankee Auctioneer	5438
Benchley, Chips Off the Old Benchley	5506
Benet, Readers' Encyclopedia	5505
Beston, Northern Farm	5435
Blood, Manchester on the Merrimack	5425
Blood, New England Profiles	5426
Burke, With a Feather on My Nose	5442
Bush, Modern Arms and Free Men	5503
Chase, Generation of Industrial Peace	5471
Churchill, Their Finest Hour	5430
Cleveland, Proper Bostonians	5437
Coatsworth, South Shore Town	5468
Coffin, One-horse Farm	5444
Early, Cape Cod Summer	5439
Fabre, Insect World	5513
Fisher, Steel Making in America	5473
Fletcher, Guide to Family Devotion	5492
Fosdick, Man from Nazareth	5504
Foster, Ballads of the Hills	5479
Gannett, Cream Hill	5517
Gunther, Behind the Curtain	5460
Heman, Poetical Works	5476
Holman, Public Responsibilities	5472
Hurd, ed., History of Hillsborough County	5501
Ickis, Guilt Making and Collecting	5510
Kieran, ed., Information Please Almanac	5418
Kitto and Bond, History of the Holy Bible	5487
Larralde, My House Is Yours	5518
Lewis, Famous American Naval Officers	5494
Logan, Volunteer Soldiers of America	5488
Longfellow, Complete Poetical Works	5477
McCabe, Business and Social Forms	5483
Moore, Civil War in Song and Story	5486

New Hampshire Manual for the General Court	5453
New Hampshire Reports, Vol. XCIV	5474
Osgood, Alexander Caldwell of Litchfield, N. H.	5496
Overstreet, Mature Mind	5462
Patmore, Garland from the Poets	5475
Robert, Rules of Order	5511
Roberts, K., I Wanted to Write	5448
Roberts, M., Great Battles of the Republic	5491
Rollins, Old Home Day Addresses	5581
Roosevelt, This I Remember	5507
Rusk, Life of Ralph Waldo Emerson	5441
Songs That Never Grow Old	5485
Starke, Devil in Massachusetts	5514
Statue of Daniel Webster, Washington, D. C.	5478
Stearns, comp., Genealogical and Family History of the State of New Hampshire 4 Vol.	5497 to 5500
Streeter, Father of the Bride	5457
Sweetser, Views of the White Mountains	5482
Taber, Especially Father	5450
Teal, Earth is Ours	5436
Woodbury, John Goffe's Mill	5431
Wordsworth, Poetical Works	5480

FICTION

Alcott, Moods	5520
Arnow, Hunter's Horn	5445
Barber, Trembling Years	5443
Bassett, Within the Harbor	5427
Bonnet, Mudlark	5461
Bromfield, Wild Country	5470
Buck, Kinfolk	5428
Cadel, Gay Pursuit	5434
Cather, Old Beauty and Others	5449
Cronin, Shannon's Way	5467
De la Roche, Mary Wakefield	5512
Gaither, Double Muscadine	5429
Gardner, Case of the Dubious Bridegroom	5521

Gipson, Hound-dog Man	5417
Grey, Balley of Wild Horses	5523
Guthrie, Way West	5465
Hanson, Growth of the Soil	5424
Harte, Tales of the Argonauts	5502
Hutchinson, Elephant and Castle	5420
McCrone, Aunt Bel	5440
Meeker, Prairie Avenue	5446
Miller, Death of a Salesman	5458
Nathan, Tapiola's Brave Regiment	5422
O. Henry Memorial Award Prize Stories, 1943	5452
Oppenheim, Wrath to Come	5490
Orwell, Nineteen Eighty-four	5459
Poole, Nancy Flyer	5469
Queen, Ten Days' Wonder	5422
Sabatini, The Gamester	5524
Short, Fiddlefoot	5447
Smith, My Lamp is Bright	5516
Thirkell, Peace Breaks Out	5432
Van de Water, Catch a Falling Star	5466
Wellman, The Chain	5519
Wentworth, Case of William Smith	5433
Willey, Soltaire	5495

JUVENILE

Bailey, Children of the Handicrafts	5526
Baruch, I Know a Surprise	5534
Brock, Kristie and the Colt	5508
Davis, Gid Granger	5528
Denovan, Heavens and the Earth	5489
Enright, Four Story Mistake	5530
Field, Bird Began to Sing	5532
Fyleman, Fairies and Chimneys	5533
Geisel, And to Think that I Saw It on Mulberry Street	5531
Kielgaard, Big Red	5529
Lenski, Cotton in My Sack	5509
Stevenson, Treasure Island	5456
Tousey, Stagecoach Sam	5527
Webster, Two Boy Gold Hunters	5493
Yates, Mountain Born	5525

RESOURCES

Number of volumes at beginning of year	5416
Number added	118
Total at end of year	5534

SERVICES

Number of volumes loaned to adults	802
Number loaned to children	311
Magazines, pamphlets, etc., loaned	84
Total circulation	1197

DONATIONS

Books, pictures, papers of historical interest:

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Corning, Mrs. C. A. Repman, Mrs. J. Ricard, Mrs. C. E. Leach, Mrs. Jacob Schneider.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE C. CENTER,

Librarian.

REPORT OF TREASURER

CUTLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEES

January 1, 1949, Cash on hand	$ 118.25
December 31, Total received from Town Trustees	1,729.35
December 31, Received from Town	37.50
	$1,885.10

Payments

Fuel	$272.38	
Cleaning Library	78.00	
N. H. Library Assoc. Dues	5.00	
Janitor, Mary E. Haight	204.00	
Librarian, Florence C. Center	300.00	
Seveigny, Book Shelves	576.68	
Public Service Co.	34.22	
Books	202.69	
Bank Checks	5.24	
Telephone, postage, etc.	6.98	
Repairs	95.46	
Total		$1,780.65
Cash on hand January 1, 1950		$ 104.45

JOHN A. REID, Treas.

Cutler Memorial Library Trustees.

Audited and Approved, January 21, 1950.

WALTER E. BROWN,
FREDERICK C. GOFFE,
Auditors.

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Litchfield, N. H., qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the eleventh day of March 1950, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To see what action the town will take toward construction of additional rooms on the Litchfield Public School.
10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate $2000. for a deficiency, which sum is to be made available before June 30, 1950.
11. To transact any business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Litchfield this 20th day of February 1950.

LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD,
LEWIS C. GOFFE,
BERTHA G. CROWELL,
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD,
LEWIS C. GOFFE,
BERTHA G. CROWELL,
School Board.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

To the Citizens of Litchfield:

Since our last report there has been several changes at the School.

In September the school opened under the supervision of Mr. Henry Hastings. While Litchfield liked Mr. Herbert Canfield, some of the other towns in the District Union wanted a change so Mr. Hastings was hired to take over the first of the school year and we find him very helpful and pleasant to work with.

Our enrollment last year was fifty-two. This year we opened the fall term with enrollment of seventy-two, an increase of twenty over last year. Because of this the two rooms were not sufficient to accommodate all the children so there was a room finished off in the basement and an extra teacher hired. That relieved the condition for the present.

Mrs. Blodgett has the Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Grades, in the new room. Miss Center has charge of the First and Second Grades and Mrs. Lena Walker has the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grades.

Mr. Priske continues as music teacher and Mrs. Hammond continues the lip reading for three hard of hearing. Mrs. Haight continues to serve the hot lunches through the winter months.

To seat the extra number at the lunch hour the tables and seats were rearranged and new ones made. Also hot water has been installed at the sink that helps some to care for the large number that are fed there each school day.

We hope that the parents all feel as we do that the school is in good hands and that the children are progressing according to their expectations and that at the same time they enjoy their school.

LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD,
LEWIS C. GOFFE,
BERTHA G. CROWELL,
School Board.

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1950-1951

School District of Litchfield

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1950.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

Salaries of District Officers	$ 182.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	150.00
Tax for state wide supervision	138.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	95.00
Supplies and expenses of administration	210.00
Principal's and teachers' salaries	6,830.00
Books and other instructional aids	228.00
Scholars' supplies	304.00
Supplies and other expenses of instruction	25.00
Salaries of janitors	600.00
Fuel and heat	550.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	120.00
Repairs and Replacements	100.00
Health supervision	175.00
Transportation	2,350.00
Tuition	3,000.00
Special activities and special funds	350.00
Retirement	330.00
Insurance, treasurer's bonds and expenses	10.00
Additions and improvements to buildings	575.00
New Equipment	100.00
Total amount required to meet School Board's Budget	$16,422.00
Estimated Income of District	
State Aid	$ 4,737.06
Assessment required to balance School Board's Budget	$11,684.94

LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD,
LEWIS C. GOFFE,
BERTHA G. CROWELL,
School Board.

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

School District of Litchfield

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1949

SUMMARY

Cash on hand June 30, 1948 (Treasurer's bank balance)		$ 495.26
Received from selectmen, appropriations for current year	$8,000.00	
Received from State Treasurer	2,820.43	
Received from all other sources—Lunch	300.09	11,120.52
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year (Balance and receipts)		11,615.78
Less School Board Orders Paid		10,543.77
Balance on Hand as of June 30, 1949 (Treasurer's bank balance)		$ 1,072.01

ELIZABETH COLBY MORRILL,

June 30, 1949 District Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Litchfield, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949 and find them correct in all respects.

HELEN M. PARKER,

EWDIN B. HILL,

June 30, 1949 Auditors.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE LITCHFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949

RECEIPTS

Federal Aid	
National School Lunch	$ 300.09
State Aid	
Equalization and General	2,820.43
Local Taxation	
Curent appropriation	8,000.00
Total receipts from all sources	$11,120.52
Cash on hand (School Acount and Special Acounts) at beginning of year, July 1, 1948	495.26
Grand Total	$11,615.78

PAYMENTS

Administration	
Salaries of district officers	$ 182.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	95.65
Tax for state wide supervision	142.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	10.00
Supplies and expenses	25.01
Instruction	
Principals' and teachers' salaries	4,255.97
Books and other instructional aids	138.67
Scholars' supplies	321.66
Supplies and other expenses	74.96
Operation of School Plant	
Salaries of janitors	500.00
Fuel or heat	434.24
Water, light, supplies and expenses	39.48

Maintenance of School Plant	
Repairs and Replacements	123.40
Auxiliary Activities	
Health supervision	122.80
Transportation	1,650.00
Tuition	1,508.03
Special activities and special funds	591.30
Fixed Charges	
Retirement	201.37
Insurance, Treas. bonds and expenses	10.00
Capital Outlay	
New equipment	117.23
Total Payments for all Purposes	$10,543.77
Total cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1949)	1,072.01
	$11,615.78

BALANCE SHEET, June 30, 1949

ASSETS

Cash on hand	$1,072.01
Account due to district from town or city	1,251.76
Total Assets	$2,323.77
Net Debt (Excess of Liability over Assets)	- - - - - -
Grand Total	$2,323.77

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from the official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD,
LEWIS C. GOFFE,
BERTHA G. CROWELL,
School Board.

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1948—June 30, 1949

RECEIPTS

Town Treasurer	$8,000.00	
State Aid	2,820.43	
Lunch Reimbursement	300.09	
		$11,120.52
Bank Balance, June 30, 1948		495.26
		$11,615.78

PAYMENTS

City of Manchester, tuitions	634.96
City of Nashua, tuitions	793.70
Town of Hudson, tuitions	79.37
Rebecca Blodgett, teaching	1,654.40
Florence Center, teaching	1,562.60
John Priske, music	240.00
Margaret Cronin, medical inspection	122.80
Newell Carney, salary	500.00
Newell Carney, extra labor	29.75
Rebecca Blodgett, graduation expense	30.00
C. H. Avery Co., chair	51.00
Wm. G. Parker Co., bond	10.00
Public Service Co. of N. H.	39.48
Mary Haight, lunch supervisor	582.27
George D. Park, fuel oil	459.59
Collector of Internal Revenue	419.00
N. H. and Vt. Hospitalization Service	67.20
Colby Brothers, transportation	1,650.00
Hill Brothers, cleaning yard	24.00
John B. Varick, supplies	21.83
Lewis Goffe, census	10.00
Webster Publishing Co., books	25.58
Mrs. Hammond, salary	150.00
Teachers' Retirement Board	321.14
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.	43.96
Tolles, Bickford Lumber Co., lumber	9.88
J. J. Newberry Co., supplies	1.08
Iroquois Pub. Co., books	6.02
Herbert W. Canfield, freight and supplies	7.60
Beckley Coady Co., desk	58.40
Edward E. Babb Co., books	42.76

MacMillan, books	20.60	
Martin and Murray Co., Inc., supplies	55.45	
L. W. Singer and Co., books	86.59	
Quin and Co., books	2.77	
Supervisory Union No. 27	95.65	
Mrs. Lucia Cookman, teacher	14.00	
Am. Ed. Press Inc., current events	17.50	
State Treasurer, per capita tax	142.00	
Clara Hill, sal. and expense	50.50	
Lizzie D. Shepherd, salary	40.00	
Lewis Goffe, salary	30.00	
Mrs. Herbert C. Leach, salary of Mr. Leach	10.00	
Elizabeth C. Morrill, salary and supplies	45.06	
Ted Dube, fuel	6.00	
Allyn and Bacon, books	10.06	
Judson A. Wheeler, repairs	6.75	
World Book Co., books	9.31	
Noble and Noble Pub. Co., books	3.70	
Iroquois Pub. Co., Inc., books	11.58	
Scott, Foresman and Co., books	85.77	
J. L. Hammett Co., books	42.21	
Ruth Goffe, teacher	28.00	
Maxfield Press, Inc., census cards	1.68	
Johnson's Electric Supply, repairs	4.50	
Mrs. E. G. Sherborne, diplomas	1.00	
Philip Morris, supplies	24.89	
McQuesten's, clerk's books	7.00	
Edon Eastman Co., cash book	7.00	
Charles H. Austin, stove	3.00	
Hudson School District, supplies	6.28	
Helen M. Parker, Auditor	6.00	
Edwin B. Hill, Auditor	6.00	
Total		$10,543.77
Total Receipts	$11,615.78	
Total Payments	10,543.77	
Balance on Hand		$ 1,072.01

ELIZABETH C. MORRILL,
Treasurer

Audited and Approved, June 30, 1949

HELEN M. PARKER,
EDWIN B. HILL,
Auditors.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

February 15, 1950

To the Litchfield School Board:

It is with pleasure I herewith submit my first brief report on your school system.

The crisis in public education has been receiving nation-wide publicity. This crisis is upon us because of a rapidly increasing birth rate, a reluctance to raise teachers salaries in line with wages in industry, the inability to construct needed new buildings during and immediately following the war and a building boom in towns close to larger cities. The most optimistic say it will face us for at least ten years and the Federal Census Bureau sees no real relief from the increasing school population.

In surveying your own school system to see how well it is facing this crisis, you can well feel that, unlike many school districts, you have been able to cope with the many problems accompanying a rapidly increasing school population without any overcrowding of classrooms or causing any teacher to have a particularly heavy load of pupils.

It was very gratifying to see how smoothly the work of readying the extra room was carried on, how quickly and efficiently the three teachers became adjusted to new conditions and how capably Mrs. Haight has handled the added problems in preparing an adequate noon lunch for so many youngsters. None of this could have been accomplished but for the splendid cooperation of all concerned.

Census figures seem to show that in another two or three years the three rooms will not be sufficient to care for all of the Litchfield children in grades 1-8. Very serious thought should be given to possible ways of meeting this situation when it arises.

There appears to be two alternatives. An addition could be added to the present building, thus providing the needed additional space or grade 8 and later grades 7 and 8 could be transported to a neighboring junior high school.

There is much that can be said for and against either plan. It is only by thinking and talking about it now that the voters of the district will be able to make a decision when the need arises.

In conclusion I should like to thank the school board for the fine cooperation shown me thus far. It is a real inspiration to work with a school board and teachers who seem to have the best interests of the children at heart and are willing to give these interests a first place in their thinking.

HENRY J. HASTINGS,

Superintendent of Schools.

RETURN OF DISTRICT REVENUE, 1949

School District of Litchfield

Support of Schools		
School Board budget of necessary expenses of Instruction, Operation and Special Activities		$ 8,811.00
Other Statutory Requirements		
Salary of district officers	$ 182.00	
Truant officer and school census	20.00	
Local share of superintendent's salary	118.48	
$2 per capita tax for supervision	136.00	
Tuition in high schols	2,475.00	
Other obligations imposed by law	466.81	3,398.29
Total amount of school board's budget and special appropriations made by district		$12,209.29
Deduction for estimated income of district from sources other than current taxation		
State Aid December 1949 Allotment—will be deducted when known, upon vote of School District		

CERTIFICATES

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet stautory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the Litchfield school district held March 12, 1949.

LEWIS C. GOFFE,

March 28, 1949 Clerk of the School District.

TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION:

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for the school year 1949-50, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board in accordance with N. H. Revised Laws Chapter 139, Section 19.

LIZZIE D. SHEPHERD,

March 28, 1949 Chairman of the School Board.

ENROLLMENT, February 1, 1950

Grade 1	9
Grade 2	9
Grade 3	11
Grade 4	9
Grade 5	8
Grade 6	10
Grade 7	5
Grade 8	7

MARRIAGES

Perley D. Colby of Litchfield and Patricia M. Mason of Nashua were married in Nashua, February 26, 1949.

Leon C. Calawa, Jr. of Litchfield and Rosalyn E. Wilson of Litchfield were married in Nashua, May 14, 1949.

DEATHS

Turton F. Copp died in Nashua, February 15, 1949, age 88 years, 29 days.

Ferdinand Moreau died in Litchfield, March 4, 1949, age 45 years, 2 months, 9 days.

Edwin Kimball Shepherd died in Nashua, March 4, 1949, age 77 years, 4 months, 10 days.

BIRTHS

Susanne Grace born in Nashua on July 3, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Levesque.

Leonard Ovila born in Nashua on July 17, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. Ovila Jackson.

Mark Edward born in Nashua on July 28, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. Camille St. Armand.

David Adelard born in Nashua on July 31 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. Herve J. Durocher.

Paule Ann born in Nashua on September 24, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Plantier.

Maurice Harvey born in Nashua, October 26, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs Harvey Ausent.

Jo Ellen born in Nashua, November 15, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs Leon Calawa, Jr.

Martha Gayle born in Manchester, December 16, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woodin, Jr.

Daniel John born in Nashua, December 23, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ledoux.

William Gilman born in Nashua, December 30, 1949 to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayes, Jr.